

- Additional funding for the State Board of Elections to support campaign finance software that will improve the ease and reliability of filing, reporting and auditing campaign finance disclosure reports.
- \$4 million for the Department of Revenue to target corporations that have outstanding tax liabilities. The initiative is expected to collect an estimated \$110 million in additional tax revenue.
- Gov. Perdue's crackdown on Medicaid fraud, waste and abuse is estimated to save over \$35 million in 2010-11.
- Reduce spending by \$20.5 million by linking inmate medical costs to the Medicare and Medicaid fee schedules.

Safer Communities

- \$10 million to merge state criminal data records into one streamlined, comprehensive system, known as CJ LEADS.
- Funds to raise probation/parole officer salaries to improve the recruitment and retention of officers.
- Funding to establish statewide capacity for law enforcement to collect DNA at the time of felony arrests.

The budget also includes almost \$1 billion in spending cuts. That total was achieved through efficiency measures, cutting waste and eliminating unproductive programs. Some cuts include:

- Reduce spending for most agencies by 5% to 7%.
- Education entities protected at less than 4% reductions.
- More than 600 positions eliminated.

In addition, Gov. Perdue's budget ensures North Carolina's financial security by earmarking \$101.5 million to replenish the state's Rainy Day Fund.

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